

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF BEATRICE TOUMI ET AL.

EXAMINER: L. WELLS

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FOR: TIGHTENING AGENT COMPRISING

AT LEAST ONE GRAFTED SILICONE POLYMER

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.